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Beloved Friend

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I sent thy letter
to the Pres^t of the ^{Ladies} Freedmen's Society,
as I knew she w^d feel a peculiar
interest in its contents, & a desire
to show it to her co-workers, in its
original form, ~~preceding~~ ^{still intending a} part
~~we~~ design for publication hereafter.

I forward thee a States-
man having the financial Monthly
report of the society. I perceive
a movement, now, for an entertain-
ment in aid of increased facilities;
& every effort is successful, notwith-
standing there is so much of the
Copperhead element in West Chester
County.

Mrs Scribner described the
occasion here, to her husband's moth-
er in Western N. Y. showing that
thy presence was like oil upon the
sectarian waters, & in this view I

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felt it right thou sh^d see her reflections, & hence I send a copy, taken hastily by my daughter, & wh. I regret is not more legible.

I send the entire copy, even though we ourselves come in for a too partial share of her kind regard.

Her husband's mother is a widow, whose name has gone from me, but one "who has given thee her sympathy & love, for many many long years."

No matter about returning the enclosed; neither do I expect thee to answer this note, amid the multiplied duties & cares wh. are resting upon thee.

Please accept for myself & thy dear wife, our united regard & affection —

Thy fr^d M. Barney

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Yonkers, N.Y., March 18, 1867-